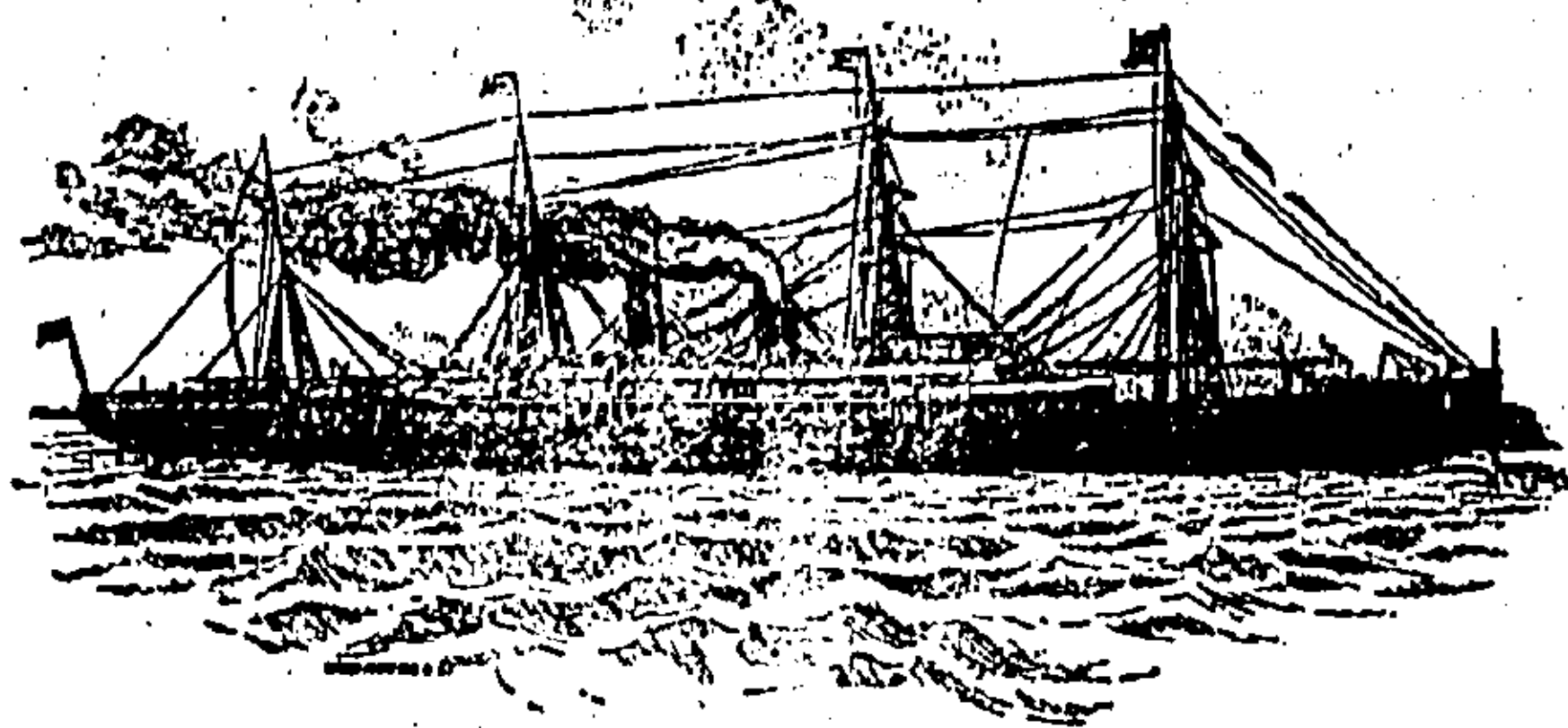


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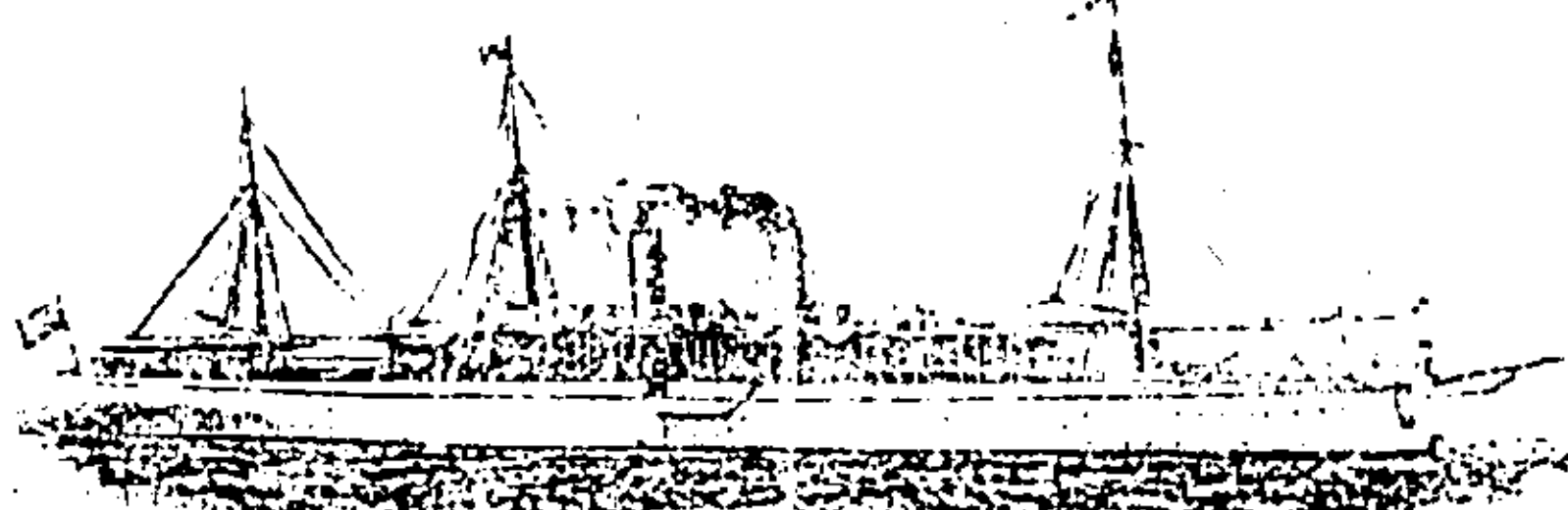
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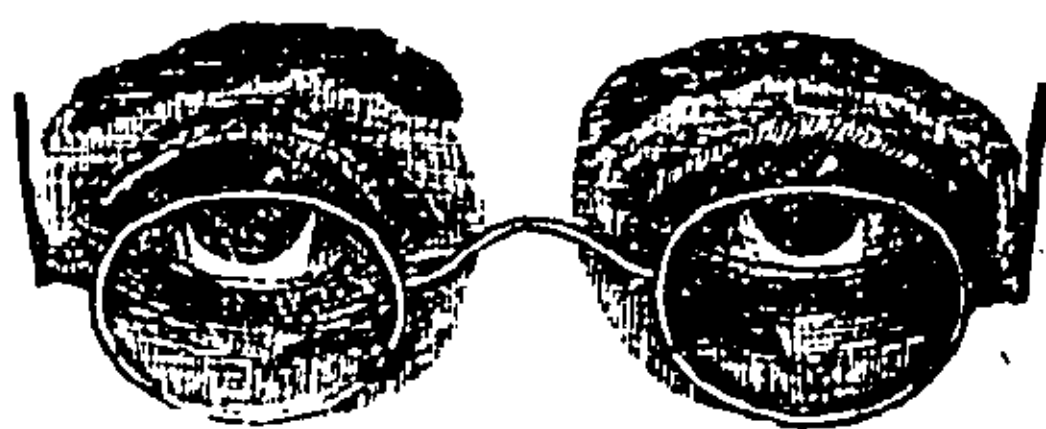
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NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of FEBRUARY, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1904.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 6th to the 20th day of FEBRUARY, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1904.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 5th day of MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock (NOON) to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Managers and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th February to the 5th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
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Hongkong, 9th February, 1904.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 10% or \$1.50 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Shareholders, held on this day, will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on and after MONDAY, the 8th February, 1904.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for WARRANTS.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1904.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

FROM This Date and until after the 25th FEB

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(Japanese Exchanges.)

The Attitude of England and the U. S.

THE DELAY OF THE RUSSIAN REPLY.

London, 27th January.

Japan's request for a prompt reply from Russia has the entire sympathy of England and the United States.

Alleged Statement by Count Lamsdorff.

RUSSIAN TREATIES NOT BINDING.

London, 27th January.

Count Lamsdorff has stated that, if Manchuria should become Russian, the treaties made by Russia could not be regarded as binding.

China Asks for Intervention.

SIR E. SATOW'S REPLY.

Peking, 26th January.

The *Siji* correspondent called on Sir Ernest Satow and the French Minister's intervention with regard to the Manchurian question. The British Minister remarked that on Saturday last Chang and Hung called on him and sought British intervention. Sir Ernest Satow pointed out the impossibility of any intervention at present, as neither of the Powers concerned has asked for it. The British Minister added that the Chinese Government are adopting no settled course and that nobody knows what they will do the next moment. It is, however, believed that Viceroy Yuan and Chang will strongly oppose the appeals to the Powers for intervention. The *Siji* correspondent believes that the French Minister had an intention to intervene in the Japanese and Russian dispute and that the Chinese officials, who are afraid of an outbreak of hostilities between Japan and Russia, have been endeavouring to find some temporary solution of the Manchurian difficulty. The suggested intervention will come to nothing as neither Great Britain nor America will support the proposal.—*Siji*.

To Defend the Peninsular.

Tokio, 4th February.

The building of barracks at Kaiping, Haicheng, and Liaoyang (all in the north of the Liaotung peninsula) and at several other places is hastily going on.

At Liaoyang over a thousand wagons have been already requisitioned, whereof between 100 and 200 are being daily transported to Fenghuangcheng (on the road to Antung) carrying ammunition and supplies.

Russian troops are steadily moving towards the Yalu river.

The increasing war scare has considerably perturbed Newchwang. Many Chinese are preparing to withdraw.

A Hint from Vladivostok.

Tokio, 4th February.

The commander of the Vladivostok Garrison has informed the Japanese commercial agent there that, according to previous instructions, he will be able to declare at any moment a state of siege. He hoped the Japanese residents would prepare for eventual withdrawal.

The Czar Considering the Reply.

PROBABLY UNSATISFACTORY TO JAPAN.

London, 29th January.

A semi-official despatch from St. Petersburg states that the Czar is considering the Russian reply to Japan. It is generally agreed that the Russian response concerning Manchuria will be unsatisfactory to Japan.

Opinion in St. Petersburg.

AFFAIRS AT AN IMPASSE.

London, 29th January.

It is reported from St. Petersburg from trustworthy sources that the negotiations between Japan and Russia seem to have reached an impasse. Russia demands that Japan shall not establish fortifications in the southern part of Korea, and the latter demands that Russia shall withdraw from Manchuria and acknowledge Japanese interests in Korea and shall further guarantee strictly the fulfilment of these assurances. The parties thus suspect each other's aims.—*Asahi*.

Chinese Troops For Korea.

MORE REPORTS OF RUSSIAN CONCESSIONS.

Tientsin, 30th January.

A St. Petersburg despatch states that, as the consequence of a conference of high officials held in the presence of the Czar, Russia decided to concede a good deal and to endeavour to arrange a peaceful settlement. The Chinese Minister to Seoul has urged his Government to send some troops to the Korean capital, as the other powers have taken this course. The Government have consequently decided to shortly send a number of picked men.—*Mainichi*.

Russian Military Movements.

Chefoo, 30th January.

One Division of troops is now on its way to the Far East, and one column of these has already arrived at Baikal. A large number of vans and carriages were sent from Port Arthur to Baikal to convey the men and the munitions of war. Two more Divisions are being sent from Russia. Eighty-four buildings, to be used as barracks for troops, are now being built in Dalny and Talienwan.

Three Regiments of men were to have left Moscow for the Korean frontier three or four days ago.

The China Eastern Railway Co. is declining the conveyance of all goods with the exception of coal. This action was first taken four or five days ago. A Greek firm, which has its Head Office at Odessa, wired to its Branch Office at Port Arthur a few days ago to the effect that war between Japan and Russia is inevitable. The message also gave instructions for insurances to be effected on all goods on the water between Port Arthur, Vladivostok, and Odessa and all commodities in godowns at Port Arthur.

The Japanese at Dalny and Port Arthur are busy preparing to leave for Japan.—*Asahi*.

The Opening of Moulken.

CHINA RAISES DIFFICULTIES.

Peking, 30th January.

Japan and America have asked China to make arrangements for the opening of Moulken. The Chinese Government have however replied that they cannot do so until Russia evacuates Manchuria.—*Kokumin*.

China's Neutrality.

PREPARATIONS FOR KEEPING ORDER IN PEKING.

Peking, 30th January.

Mr. Uchida, Japanese Minister to Peking, called on Prince Ching to-day. It is believed that Mr. Uchida conveyed to the Prince Japan's final determination with regard to the Russian reply, the gist of which is believed to have been recently forwarded to Tokyo by Mr. Kurino. The Peking Government will adhere to strict neutrality, as reported previously, and their Majesties have ordered Prince Ching to have the Imperial Body Guard

ready for the maintenance of order in Peking in the case of an emergency. Depredations by mounted bandits are reported from Takshan and Viceroy Yuan has advised Prince Ching to suppress them promptly in order to remove any ground for Russia to make excuses as to the prolongation of the evacuation of Manchuria.—*Mainichi*.

The Attempted Arrest of a Compradore.

Shanghai, 30th January.

Yuan Shi-so, former compradore of the Russo-Chinese Bank, sailed for Japan by the *Hakui Maru* to-day.

The Russian authorities attempted to arrest him by various means; but their efforts proved futile.—*Mainichi*.

China Buys Rifles From Germany.

Tientsin, January 30th.

Viceroy Yuan has contracted with a German firm to buy 20,000 rifles for the proposed additions to the Chinese Army. They are to be supplied within three months.—*Mainichi*.

The Situation in Korea.

Tientsin, January 29th.

100 British and 200 Indian troops at Tientsin have completed preparations for departure at a minute's notice to Corea.—*Asahi*.

Auction.

Acti n No. 143 of 1903.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

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PURSUANT to an Order of the Supreme Court made in this Action and with the Approval of ARATHOON SETH, Esq. Acting Registrar,

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [32]

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE is hereby given that THE INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION have, as from the NINTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1904, taken over the Business of the EASTERN BRANCHES OF THE GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK being the Businesses carried on by the latter Company in HONGKONG, SHANGHAI and MANILA and that, as from the said NINTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1904, THE INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION will be responsible for and will duly meet and liquidate all the Outstanding Obligations of the Eastern Branches of The Guaranty Trust Company of New York, including the Branch Business heretofore carried on in Hongkong.

For THE INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION, CHAS. R. SCOTT, Manager.

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [33]

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Intimations.

JURY LIST 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE JURY CONSOLIDATION ORDINANCE, 1887, I have This Day caused to be posted, at the Chief Entrance to the Court House, a List of all Persons ascertained by me to be liable to serve as JURORS.

The said List will remain so posted until THURSDAY, 18th instant, in Order that any Person may apply by Notice in writing to me requiring that his Name or the Name of some other Person may be respectively either added to or struck off from the said List, upon cause to be duly assigned in such Notice.

ARATHOON SETH, Acting Registrar.

Supreme Court House, Hongkong, 3rd February, 1904. [246]

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [42]

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1904. [14]

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, HAMBURG AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"

Captain G. C. Cundy, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th instant, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "OLYMPIA," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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BIRTH.
At "Endleigh," Singapore, on January 30th, the wife of E. F. H. EDLIV, of a son.

DEATH.
On the 31st December, at St. Helen's, Claygate, Surrey, suddenly, influenza and gastric catarrh, LAN DE VERE MONTAGU MCCALLUM, aged 2 years and 11 months, youngest son of Col. Sir Henry McCallum, R.E., K.C.M.G., A.D.C., Governor of Natal, and Lady McCallum.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEB. 11, 1904.

A TORPEDO BOAT ATTACK.

The successful attack made by the Japanese torpedo flotilla, upon the Russian fleet while at anchor in Port Arthur, will probably only be vaguely understood by those who have not seen torpedo boats enter a harbour on a dark night. At first sight it would appear as if there had been an extreme lack of vigilance on the part of the Russian fleet; but the fact of the torpedo boats having carried out their work of destruction so successfully by no means confirms this. On a black and otherwise favourable night it is not such a difficult task as some would suppose for these little craft to glide, unobserved, into an enemy's port. Let us try and picture to ourselves the scene, as it must have appeared from on board one of the torpedoed men-of-war. We must suppose that the Russian fleet, aware of the proximity of the Japanese, would have taken precautionary measures at nightfall for some days previously. These would, in the main, consist in putting out all lights that were not absolutely necessary; screening carefully all those that were, and maintaining a strict silence throughout the night in order that no clue should be given as to the position of each ship. Imagine the wearying anxiety of the watch, each man straining eyes and ears to seaward for the sign of an approaching enemy which does not come; picture the crews of the guns dozing at their posts, the captain of each piece awake and watchful, ready to call them, at the first alarm, from their slumbers. So the long hours drag slowly on and, their senses becoming weary with the strain and silence, the anxious watchers fall gradually into a numb unconsciousness. Occasionally, perhaps, a sound is imagined, or a shadow seems to move swiftly along in the distance. There is a moment's excitement; a passing alarm and the vision passes away. Generally, boats are patrolling the harbour mouth, and each individual watchman feels that it is from one of these that he will get his first warning. So trusting to these, he lapses into a semi-somnolency. But defying detection, like long ghastly shadows, the destroyers are creeping up in the dark background of the land. They are not together in order that one should not betray the others. Searchlights are probably sweeping the harbour with long beams of bulbous. Suddenly, a little white silhouette. Two funnels, a low hull, stand out for an instant. Now they are gone; speeding out of the shaft of light they have blended once more with the blackness of the night. But the alarm has been raised. Searchlights flash, wildly hither and thither, endeavouring vainly to pick up the phantom craft. Guns cough wildly into the darkness. In a whirl two angry, red flames, rushing through the night, are followed by two more, and yet other tiny quivering flames puncture the blackness towards the horizon. The torpedo boats speed towards their prey. There is a crash, a rattle of light quick-firing guns worked by panic-stricken crews. A stream of shell is hurled skyward, churns the sea, or sweeps the decks of a consort. Then there is a sound as of a gigantic sigh, a splash, a streak of white, phosphorescent water darting towards the doomed ship, and the two little red flames die down. The torpedo boat has done its work, is silently away out of the harbour—alone, silently into the night. A leviathan, her hull rent and torn, heels over and settles slowly down to where her anchor lies tranquilly buried in the mud. She has been torpedoed.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

OWING to the new ricksha regulations which have been put into force at Kuala Lumpur, the rickshas have all gone out on strike.

The French cruiser "Albatros" arrived at Hongkong, 20th ult. and was to leave for Fukuoka Bay on the 28th.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that His Excellency, the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint Joseph Horsford Kemp to be a Magistrate.

Mr. T. A. Hamner, assistant secretary of the Sanitary Board, has been admitted to practice in the Supreme Court as a solicitor. He was introduced to the Chief Justice yesterday morning by the Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. M. D. J. Stephens.

QUARTERLY Supplement, No. 2, to Mr. Arthur Chapman's Street Index is now to hand. Those interested in land and property should not fail to secure a copy, as it contains much important additions to the information already published by the Government Assessor.

THE Chinese Government a few days ago sent instructions to the various Viceroy and Governors that they must be very careful to guard against disturbances in the interior in the event of hostilities between Russia and Japan, but need not interfere with the coast ports as that would only arouse the suspicions of the Powers.

ANOTHER bowling match between the English and German Clubs will be played next Friday and Saturday. As but six members have been able to practice there will be that number only on each side, the team representing the Hongkong Club being made up as follows:—Messrs. Ellis, Lieut. Ford, Lieut. Gilson, Sims, Holy-oake, and G. A. Woodcock (captain).

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and officers, the Band of the 92nd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, on Friday, the 12th instant, (weather permitting):—
March—"The Washington Post" (Edward Gurnea)
Overture—"The Girl of the Year" (Sidney Jones)
Song—"Under the West" (Gustav Preuss)
Selection—"Reminiscences of Scotland" (Gustav)
Valse—"Blue Bird" (Margie)
Lancer—"H.M.S. Pinafore" (Conie)
God save the King.

SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon in the Board Room. Present:—The President (Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, P.C.M.O.), Mr. Ahmet Rumjahn, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Mr. Fung Wa Chun, Mr. E. A. Hewett, Dr. Pearce (Acting M. O. H.), Dr. Barnett (Assistant M. O. H.), Col. Webb, Captain Lyons, Hon. W. Brewin (Registrar General), Mr. G. A. Woodcock, Secretary, and Mr. J. H. Kemp, Assistant Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meetings were confirmed.

REPORT OF SANITARY SURVEYOR.
Mr. J. J. Bryer, Sanitary Surveyor, forwarded his annual report for the year 1903.

NEW HOUSE DRAINS.
Plans have been deposited and passed by him during the year for the drainage of 203 houses. The plans of 713 houses were carried forward from 1902, making a total of 916 in hand during the year. The drainage of 415 houses has been completed and the plans for 350 have been cancelled, leaving 211 to carry forward to 1904.

RE-DRAINAGE AND ADDITIONS.
In addition to the above, plans for re-drainage of, or additions to, the drainage of 4 houses were carried forward from 1902, and new plans have been received for 260 houses, making a total of 354 for the year. Of these, 245 houses have been completed and 51 cancelled, leaving 58 to be carried forward to 1904.

INSPECTION OF PRIVATE HOUSE DRAINS.

The drains of 106 houses have been tested and reported on, in consequence of complaints having been received regarding them. Of this number, 56 required reconstructing, 28 amending and the remainder were found to be in order. Notices were served on the owners of the above 84 houses calling upon them to execute the necessary work. Of these 84 have been complied with and the remaining 4 are in hand. 31,792 houses have been visited by the Drainage Inspector, with the result that 1,878 drainage nuisances have been discovered. Notices have been served in each case on the owner or occupier, calling upon them to abate the nuisance. All of these have been complied with. 268 nuisances have been referred to the Medical Officer of Health and 343 to the Hon. Director of Public Works to be dealt with by them. 1705 choked drain traps on private property have been cleansed by the drainage foremen.

WATER CLOSETS AND URINALS.

During the past year, water closets and urinals have been erected in the following buildings, by permission of the Board, and with the exception of those at the docks, have been connected with the public sewers: Stag Hotel, 150 Queen's Road Central, 6 water closets, 6 urinals; "Club Germania," Kennedy Road, 6 do., 6 do.; Hongkong Club annex, Chater Road, 6 do., 1 do.; Hongkong and Whampoa Dock, Hung Hom, 15 water closets; 1 L. 163 Magazine Gap Road, 3 water closets; 15, Connaught Road Central, 2 water closets, 2 urinals; 12, Des Voeux Road Central, 1 water closet. Total, 39 water closets, 15 urinals.

Certificates have been granted during the year under section 84 of Ordinance 13 of 1901, for 407 houses, certifying that they have been built in accordance with the entire provision of that Ordinance. This is 497 less than were certified in 1902.

CEMETERIES.

The whole of the bodies dead of plague during the year have been buried in Oueung Shu Wan Cemetery. There is room for about 40 bodies in the Kennedy Town Cemetery, but it is advisable to reserve space for any emergency. The French cruiser "Albatros" arrived at Hongkong, 20th ult. and was to leave for Fukuoka Bay on the 28th.

PROSECUTIONS.

The following is a return of the prosecutions instituted during the year:—

Offences.	Summons.	Convictions.	Penalties.	Remarks.
Drainage nuisances on private premises	154	143	\$1,068	12 withdrawn.
Failure to comply with order of magistrates	27	27	658	
Contravention of Sec. 84 of Ord. 13 of 1901	5	5	110	
Contravention of Sec. 191 of Ord. 1 of 1903	4	4	100	
Contravention of the Drainage Bye Laws	5	5	45	
	195	184	\$2,081	

EXTERNAL AIR.

There was submitted an application relative to the question of "external air" in respect of Nos. 2 to 68 Bridges Street.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak moved:—"None of the yards in the existing Chinese tenement houses is 13 feet wide. I think the Board should recommend Government to exempt every house with a yard not under 8 feet wide and allow two cubicles to be erected on the upper floors of such a house as originally suggested by the sub-committee. If, as intimated by the Assistant M.O.H., an 8 feet yard should not be reckoned as external air, the amendment Ordinance will practically inflict the same hardship as the original Ordinance."

The minute of the Assistant M.O.H. (Dr. Barnett) referred to above was as follows:—"I do not think a yard of 8 feet ought to be counted as external air. If the rear wall of the open space could be removed (why it was never built I can't understand) the window in rear would open into external air."

"Mr. A. Rumjahn moved:—"I know these houses very well. Besides the yard there is a backyard in the rear. When the plan of these houses was passed about two years ago a backyard was not then required. If the Board would not recommend this application, practically almost all houses built prior to the passing of Ordinance 1 of 1903 could not succeed in getting exemption for there are very few blocks of buildings that have a yard and a back lane. Besides the provisions of the expression "external air" are not consistent with the requirements of modern sanitation. The result of the Sanitary Properties Commission was the enactment of Ordinance 36 of 1899. Owners of property were then induced to provide a back lane in lieu of a backyard; and Section 8, Sub-section 2 of that Ordinance empowered the making of a back lane 6 feet wide in the place of a yard 8 feet wide in order to encourage land-owners to provide a back lane also for a block of buildings. In 1901 when the Government thought that the Sanitary Properties Ordinance was not drastic enough the Public Health Ordinance 13 of 1901 was enacted. The regulations about open spaces were copied verbatim from the Sanitary Properties Ordinance. By the passing of the existing Ordinance Nos. 1 of 1903 and 23 of 1903, back lanes which had been provided under such alluring circumstances as above described are now found to be practically useless; and, even when both back-yard and back lane have been provided, as instanced in this case, the open space in the rear is now found to be insufficient to meet new regulations. It can thus be imagined how owners of property have been dealt with during the past three years. I consider a great hardship and injustice have been done to investors of capital in landed property, which has the effect of driving a great deal of capital out of this Colony. All these changes in law have been brought about by Dr. Clark, our M. O. H., and the plan for this block of buildings, only completed a few months ago, must have been revised by him. The owner of this property, through no fault of his, will suffer a great injury if his application is refused, and the wall referred to by the Assistant M. O. H. has been built in full compliance with the law that has been repealed by the existing Ordinance."

It was agreed to refer the matter to the Director of Public Works.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO.

Following is the report of the board of directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, to the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders to be held at the offices of the company, Queen's Buildings, on Monday, the 22nd inst., at 12 o'clock noon.

To the shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited.

Gentlemen,—The directors have now to submit to you their report, with a statement of accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, 1903.

The net profit for the six months, after paying interest due and all charges, amounts to \$514,396.34 to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account

314,293.70

and from this have to be deducted:—

Directors' fees \$10,000.00

Auditors' fees 750.00

10,750.00

leaving available for appropriation \$817,940.04

The directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 12% or \$300,000, and a bonus of 2% or \$50,000, in all \$350,000 be paid to the shareholders; that \$42,599.35 be written from the value of Kowloon Docks, and the balance \$425,340.69 be carried to the new account.

The fitting and brass shop machinery has been fixed up, and a capacious building for stores and tools erected.

Extensions have been found necessary to the foundry and joiner's shop buildings, and additions to plant in the shipyard.

The condensing plant, motors, &c., for electric drive, and the standards for yard lighting, are on the spot. The engines and dynamos are shipped and may be expected shortly.

The dredger *Canton River* has again been employed excavating the foreshore in front of Kowloon Dockyard to provide berths for ships under repairs, and is now under charter to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire for work at Cant. n.

DIRECTORS.
Messrs. G. H. Medhurst and C. Michelau having left the Colony, Messrs. E. S. Wheeler and A. H. Upt have been invited by the directors to the vacant seats at the Board. Mr. E. W. Tilden has been invited to join the Board. These appointments require to be confirmed by the shareholders at this meeting.

In accordance with clauses 78 and 85 of the Articles of Association, Messrs. D. E. Brown and A. Haupt retire by rotation, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., has been re-appointed chairman for the year 1904.

AUDITORS.
The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Thomas Arnold and H. U. Jeffries. The directors recommend Messrs. Arnold and Jeffries for re-election.

C. P. CHATER, Chairman.

July to December, 1903.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

ASSETS.	Abolition.	Kowloon.
To Value of Aberdeen Docks as per last statement	\$10,000.00	
Value of Kowloon Docks, as per last statement	\$1,835,579.39	
Less amount since written off	36,579.39	
		\$1,850,000.00

Amount paid on account of removal of Hill on the new Extension, Kowloon Marine Lido No. 27

Working Expenses of Dredger "Canton River" dredging foreshore near Wharf and Shipbuilding Department

Amount paid on account of two New Houses for European Foremen

Amount paid on account of new Fitting & Brass Shops

Amount paid on account of removing Hill at back of new Forge

Amount paid on account of new Electric Installation

Amount paid on account of new Hydraulic and Compressed Air Installation

Amount paid on account of additional Sanitary arrangements for No. 1 Dock

Amount paid on account of Moulding Shop Extension

Amount paid on account of Joiner's Shop Extension

Amount paid on account of Shipyard and Boiler Shop Extension

Amount paid on account of Sawmill converting Shed into Store

Amount paid on account of new Power House

Cost of Patent Plate Bendign Rolls for Shipyard

Cost of new Band Saws for Sawmill

Cost of Surface Condensing plant, Engines, Dynamos, Electric Motors, &c., for new Power House

Cost of new Machine Tools for Engine Shop

Cost of new Machine Tools for Brass Shop

Value of Cosmopolitan Dock, as per last Statement

Less amount since written off

Value of Tugs, Dredgers, Launches and Lighters

Sundry Debtors

Value of Material on hand

Liabilities.

By Shareholders for 5000 Shares of \$50 each, fully paid up

Admiralty Loan

Less Reserve

Marine Insurance Account

Sundry Creditors

Balance of Profit brought forward from last A/c

Profit

Revenue Account.

Crown Rent

Fire Insurance

Office Expenses, Salaries, Stationary and Rent of Head Office

Drawing Office Expenses and Salaries

Telegrams

Legal Expenses

Marine Insurance Account

Profit

By Net Earnings of the Company's three Establishments

Towage, Net Earnings

Dredger, Net Earnings

Bonus on Insurance Premiums

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"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE WAR.

THE FIGHT AT PORT ARTHUR.

TWO DISTINCT ENGAGEMENTS.

(From our Correspondent.)

Shanghai, 10th February,

4.53 p.m.

Two distinct naval engagements took place at Port Arthur, the first being an attack on the harbour by the Japanese destroyers on the night of the 8th inst., and the second an action outside, between the two fleets, on the morning of the 9th.

PORT ARTHUR CLOSED.

RUSSIAN FLEET SHUT OUT.

In the first action the Japanese destroyers torpedoed two Russian battleships, which sunk at the entrance of the harbour, shutting out the remainder of the fleet.

A cruiser was also struck and so badly damaged that it was found necessary to run it ashore to prevent it from sinking.

THE FLEET ENGAGEMENT.

FOUR RUSSIAN VESSELS DISABLED.

In the engagement which took place on the morning of the 9th outside of Port Arthur, four Russian vessels were placed hors-de-combat. The Japanese ships were comparatively uninjured.

TURF TOHCS.

Following are some of the "times" taken down during this morning's galloping:—

Combe and Doris Castle—1 mile (1)—33 1/5, 1.05 2/5, 1.41, 2.16 4/5.

Aladdin—1 mile (1)—34 1/2, 1.07 2/5, 1.41 1/5, 2.15 2/5, 2.51. Joined by Pomello first half mile and Clifton last half.

Set—1 mile (1

TELEGRAMS.

Opium for China.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, 11th February.

The P. & O. Co.'s mail steamer left Bombay yesterday afternoon with about 874 chests of Malwa opium. Prices are:—

Malwa (New) ... Rs. 1,180
" (Old) ... " 1,320
" (Older) ... " 1,400
" (Older) ... " 1,400

(Reuters.)

The Fiscal Policy and the Government.

LONDON, 9th February.

The Duke of Devonshire, speaking at a Fiscal Meeting at Guildhall, said that whatever differences there may be on the Fiscal Policy, all would unite in not embarrassing the Government in its anxious task of safeguarding the interests of the Empire in the Far East.

Great Britain, Russia and Tibet.

A Russian memorandum dated 2nd February, 1903, threatened steps to protect Russian interests in consequence of the British action in Tibet. Lord Lansdowne, in reply, on the 18th February, 1903, informed Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador in London, that if there was any display of Russian activity, Great Britain would be obliged to reply by a display of activity exceeding that of Russia. Some weeks later, Count Benckendorff submitted a statement of Russian views, declaring that any disturbance of the status quo in Tibet would compel Russia to safeguard her interests elsewhere in Asia. Lord Lansdowne replied that Great Britain insisted on Tibet fulfilling her treaty obligations. Later, when the Mission advanced, Count Benckendorff made further earnest representations, to which Lord Lansdowne replied:—"It was strange beyond measure that these protests should be made by a Power which all over the world never hesitated to encroach on its neighbours." If the Russian Government had a right to complain of Great Britain advancing in Tibet, what kind of language would Great Britain not be entitled to use concerning Russian encroachments in Manchuria, Turkestan and Persia?

LATER.

Russia and Japan—Outbreak of Hostilities.

Admiral Alexieff telegraphed that Japanese torpedo-boats attacked a squadron of Russian ships in the outer roads of Port Arthur at midnight on the 8th instant. The battleships *Revisan* and *Tsarvitch*, and the cruiser *Pallada* were damaged.

(Japanese Exchange.)

Statement by the "Novoye Vremya."

RUSSIA CANNOT SIGN CONVENTION WITH JAPAN.

London, 31st January.

The *Novoye Vremya* has declared that it is impossible for Russia to sign a convention with Japan about Manchuria.

A New Battleship for Japan.

London, 1st February.

The Elswick and Barrow-in-Furness Ship-Building Yards have received order from the Japanese Government to build two battleships of 16,400 tons.

The American Consuls for Manchuria.

London, 1st February.

The American Consul for Manchuria will set out for their posts next week.

Germany and Russia.

STRICT NEUTRALITY.

Berlin, 1st February.

The London *Daily Mail* recently stated that Germany would deliver war materials at Port Arthur (if war occurred between Japan and Russia). This statement is officially declared to be untrue. Germany will preserve strict neutrality, and will favour Russia no more than Japan.

The recent visit of the German cruiser *Hansa* to Port Arthur had no political significance.

A MORTGAGE TRANSACTION.

At the Supreme this morning, before the Chief Justice, in the absence of the Puisne Judge, Au Yeung Ki sued Tsang Kirik Shing for \$958.20 being principal and interest due on a mortgage deed.

Mr. F. P. Heit (of Mr. J. K. Hall Brutton's office) appeared for the plaintiff, while the defendant was represented by Mr. E. A. Bonner, (of Messrs. Denny and Bowley).

Mr. Heit said that in 1893 the defendant, who owned land in the New Territory, borrowed from plaintiff \$70 in cash, and this money was paid to defendant. It was agreed that interest should be paid in kind—in grain, and that seven things of grain should be taken to be worth \$1. Up to 1896 the interest was paid in grain, but 1896 payment of \$5 was made in lieu of grain, and from that period onwards no grain was paid, but money was paid in lieu thereof. Last year, however, only \$2 was paid. Defendant set up in defence illegality and want of consideration. Evidence was then led, and—

The Chief Justice gave judgment for plaintiff for \$353 and costs, and directed that the mortgage deed be set aside.

THE WAR.

THE FIGHT AT CHEMULPO.

FURTHER DETAILS.

Through the courtesy of the Naval Authorities we have been furnished with further details of the engagement which took place on the 8th inst. at Chemulpo. This information formed the object of a general signal communicated to the men-of-war in port at 8.15 this morning. The Japanese ships which took part in the action against the *Varyag* and *Koriet* were the *Asama*, a steel, armoured cruiser of 9,750 tons, 19,000 horse-power, speed 22 knots with an armament of 21, 8 inch Q.F.; 14, 6 inch; 12, 12 pr.; 7, 2½ pr. and 4 submerged torpedo tubes; the *Atsuta*, a protected, steel cruiser of 3,150 tons and 8,400 H.P. with a speed of 19 knots. The weight of her broadside being 920 lbs; the *Chiyoda*, an armoured, steel cruiser of 2,450 tons, 5,700 H.P. and a speed of 17.5 knots; her armament consisting of 10, 4.7 Q.F.; 14, 3 pr. and 3 torpedo tubes. Both of the Russian ships were badly damaged by the fire from the Japanese squadron, and were set on fire and blown up by their crews after an hour's engagement. The Russian sailors took refuge on the French cruiser *Pascal*. The Japanese vessels sustained no damage.

The steamer *Nemurai* was abandoned and burnt by the Russians in Chemulpo harbour.

THE VICTORY AT PORT ARTHUR.

The additional details forwarded us by our Correspondent in Shanghai with regard to the two engagements at Port Arthur confirm, in every point, the description given in our columns yesterday of the Japanese naval victory. There were two distinct actions though the second, a regular engagement between the two hostile fleets, was the outcome of the first successful attack by the destroyers of the Island Empire. An important additional fact to the intelligence already published, is the news that the two Russian battleships that were torpedoed actually sank in the entrance to the harbour when the remainder of the fleet was outside. This is probably the entrance to the inner harbour, though, even if this is so, it does not mitigate the extreme gravity of the situation, so far as the remainder of the Tsar's ships are concerned; since it means that the fighting ships that have escaped being sunk, disabled or captured, are cut off from their base, and no possible means now exist of docking, repairing or re-ammuniting them. Besides, it is probable that some of the smaller craft were in the inner harbour when the disaster occurred, and, in that event, it is possible that those of deeper draught will be unable to get out. In the action which took place outside Port Arthur on the morning of the 9th, four of the Russian ships were severely damaged, two of them, it is believed, being beached to save them. These four vessels are supposed to be the *Pollava* (first-class battleship, 10,960 tons), the *Diana* (first-class cruiser, 6,630 tons), the *Askold* (first-class cruiser, 6,100 tons), the *Novik* (second-class cruiser, 3,200 tons).

FORMAL DECLARATION OF WAR.

Mr. M. Noma, Consul for Japan, has kindly forwarded to us the following letter:—

Japanese Consulate,

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

DEAR SIR,—I beg to inform you that this morning I have received a telegram from our Government to the effect that war has been formally declared against Russia by His Imperial Japanese Majesty on the 10th February, 1904.—Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) MASAICHI NOMA,

Consul for Japan.

THE COMMISSIONER OF

WU-HAI-WEI.

His Honour Mr. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, C.M.G., Commissioner of Wei-hai-wei, who arrived from the North by the French mail steamer the other day, with the intention of remaining in the Colony for about a month, will, we understand, have to cut his visit short. Commissioner Lockhart will return to Wei-hai-wei on Saturday next. It is presumed that the breaking out of hostilities between Japan and Russia demands the presence of the representative of the British Government in the Northern territory.

TELEGRAMS TO THE NORTH.

Mr. J. M. Beck informs us that The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company's Hongkong-Foochow cable has become interrupted this morning as also has the cable between Foochow and Formosa. Owing to the former interruption all telegrams handed to the E. E. & C. Co. for Foochow, Shanghai and the North are being handed over to the Great Northern Telegraph Company for transmission.

LETTERS VIA SIBERIA.

The Postmaster General notifies that, until further notice, the transmission of correspondence via Dalny and the Trans Siberian Railway is discontinued.

ARRIVAL OF THE "NISSHIN."

AT SINGAPORE.

CAPTAIN LEA INTERVIEWED.

The new Japanese cruiser, *Nisshin*, which was purchased at Genoa from the Argentine Government, arrived at Singapore this forenoon, says the local *Times* of 1st inst. The greatest interest has been manifested in the voyage of this vessel, along with her consort, the *Kasuga*, mainly because it was freely rumoured that the warships would be tackled by the Russian *en route*. But under the charge of a British Naval Officer, Lieut. J. F. Lea, with a crew of British naval reserve men on board, and Italian engineers, the *Nisshin* has managed to proceed thus far on her way to Yokohama without incident.

As the *Nisshin*, steamed into the roads this morning flying the Japanese naval ensign, she looked every inch a fighting machine. The counters were washed bare of paint; the lower guns, of exceptionally heavy calibre, were rusted with sea water, and the vessel altogether looked as if the journey had been of a lively character. But with the exception of a heavy monsoon after leaving Colombo, the *Nisshin* had not experienced any great vicissitudes on the way to Singapore. Still it was evident that the waves had been sweeping over the vessel, and the Commander stated that the guns on the lower deck would require a thorough overhauling before they could be of any use in warfare.

A LICENSED PIRATE.

Lieut. Lea, who received a representative of the *Strait Times* this morning, is a typical English naval officer. He was flag lieutenant to Sir Nowell Salmon on the China Station a few years ago and is well known in Singapore as a genial, capable and intrepid officer. On the *Nisshin* he occupies a peculiar position, for he belongs to no navy in the world and is really what he admitted himself to be, a sort of licensed pirate. The *Nisshin* belongs to nobody at present except Lieut. Lea.

When Japan purchased the *Nisshin* and the *Kasuga*, the vessels were formally handed over to Messrs. Ansaldo and Armstrong, who in turn presented them to Lieut. Lea and Lieut. Poynter, the commanding officers of the two vessels, respectively.

"There is no doubt whatever," said Lieut. Lea, "that this vessel belongs to me. I might put her in pawn if I wished, but there is this drawback I couldn't do it on the quiet."

Questioned regarding the report that a bomb had exploded on board before the vessel left Genoa, Lieut. Lea laughed at the incident. "It was nothing at all, and would never have been heard of had it occurred on any other vessel. A steam pipe burst and an Italian engineer was scalded, with the result that he tried to create a panic on board."

An Italian engineer came up at this stage of the conversation. "I don't speak Italian," said the commander "and they don't speak English, so you can judge the picnic I've had." First the Italian got hold of another engineer and in funny English they interrogated the commanding officer as to what they should do. If they understood their orders it was more than the bystander could bring himself to believe.

SCALLYWAG ENGINEERS.

The fact of the matter was, according to Lieut. Lea, the Italian engineers had been nothing but a source of nuisance and anxiety from the moment they came on board. They were a lot of scallywags without a redeeming feature. "See that man over there," he said. "That's one of the electrical engineers. He's the only engineer on board who is not absolutely hopeless—that is when he's not sick. And he's usually sick. Nobody can imagine the trouble I've had with these men."

Captain Lea summed up his opinion of the Italian members of his crew with the statement that if they were fair samples of Italy's fighting men, it was no wonder that the Abyssinians defeated them.

And one could well understand it from a cursory glance at their appearance. They looked more like ragmuffins than engineers. They lolled and squatted on the decks, shirts floating in the breeze, chewing and spitting like a lot of orangoutangs.

There was no uniform, of course, among them, and they seemed to think themselves a great deal better than their officers. A British naval officer would have been shocked on the spot had he visited the *Nisshin*.

Regarding the Russian squadron Lieut. Lea remarked that he supposed the crew were Russian as stern, but as they had to go to 'aboard for coal he was quite convinced that the *Nisshin* could show the heels to anything that came along. "We are supposed to do 16 knots," he said "but so far we have only been making 15½." Of course, we have to thank the engineers for that.

"What would you do supposing a Russian cruiser called upon you to day?"

"Why I would just surrender. I have no crew to defend a ship. Look at the guns besides. The guns on the upper deck are all right, but those below are coated with rust—they would be perfectly useless."

In this connection, Lieut. Lea related a rather interesting story. When the *Nisshin* arrived at Suva, it was found that the Russian battleships *Dmitri Donskoi* was already there. In the language of the sea Lieut. Lea ordered that she should be saluted. The salute was given, but the Russian calmly ignored the compliment and Lieut. Lea determined that no other Russian would get a chance of so severely snubbing the *Nisshin*.

OFFICIALLY LOST.

A little difficulty which occurred at Genoa was related with great gusto by the commander. It came out quite accidentally while he was telling how he was pretty well on the way to being a millionaire, seeing that £800,000 worth of property had been given to him as a free gift—for a time! It appears that the health authorities at Genoa gave the *Nisshin* a clean bill and the vessel prepared to leave on the 9th January. Just as she was about to start

the Italians began to get nervous. Were they not committing an unfriendly act against Russia by allowing the *Nisshin* and the *Kasuga* to leave for Japan? That was the question, and apparently overcome by their fears they sent to Lieut. Lea for the bill of health, asking it to be returned.

"But it was lost," said the Lieutenant with a chuckle; "it was officially lost of course and I don't know if it has yet been found. So of course we were allowed—you can put it that way if you like—at any rate we sailed, and here we are."

How did the *Nisshin* compare with a British cruiser of the same class?

Lieut. Lea replied that the armament was infinitely superior. "And as a fact the vessel simply bristled with guns. Every opening seemed to show a cannon. The commander spoke about 47 guns, 6 inch guns, torpedoes, and similar instruments of warfare, and repeated that as a fighting machine, with a good crew on board, there was nothing to beat the ship."

"At Hongkong the Italian engineers will leave the *Nisshin* and a good job, too," was the candid statement of the commander. There are plenty of English engineers to be found in Hongkong and under the new regime it is expected that the cruiser will make a quick passage to Japan. Lieut. Lea stated that he had no idea when or where he was to hand the vessel over to the Japanese. It had been said that the ceremony would take place at Shanghai, but there were no instructions on the subject.

At present the crew numbers about 230 all told, of whom some 60 are of British origin. Lieut. Lea has five British officers under his command, and the trip would have been little more than a pleasant cruise had it not been for the Italians. The *Nisshin* goes to Tanjong Pagar Dock this afternoon to coal and expects to leave this evening.

ANOTHER CONFERENCE.

REPORTED IMPORTANT DECISION.

The *Kobe Chronicle*, of 4th inst. says:—If it is true, as stated in a Reuter's message, that the Russian Reply is to be still delayed a few days longer, while at the same time news arrives daily of the celerity with which Russia is pressing on preparations for hostilities, the patience shown by Japan is marvellous. It is only to be concluded that Japan has received a definite promise that a reply is to be received by a certain day, and is waiting until that date has expired.

As announced, a conference of Ministers and the Elder Statesmen was held yesterday morning at the official residence of the Premier. Besides the Ministers and the *Genro*, there were present Admiral Ito, President of the Naval Staff Department; General Kodama, Vice-President of General Army Staff Department; Admiral Saito, Vice-Minister of the Navy; and General Ishimoto, Vice-Minister of War.

We learn that the conference lasted from 9 a.m. to about 6 p.m. Shortly after noon the Premier and the Minister for Foreign Affairs proceeded to the Imperial Palace and had an audience with the Emperor, the Ministers remaining with his Majesty until about 5 p.m. The Premier and Baron Komura then returned to the conference, and reported the result of their audience with the Emperor.

It was stated in Tokyo last night that the conference has agreed to take such steps as the Government considers necessary without awaiting any longer the Russian Reply, and that this decision was reported to the Emperor, who signified his approval.

It is denied in Tokyo that Japan has placed orders in England for the construction of two first-class war-ships.

Nothing has yet been officially heard by the Government of the report that a further Russian reinforcement of one Army Division is on its way from Europe to the Far East. News, however, was received by the Government about a fortnight ago that Russia had mobilised three Army Corps, one of which was intended for service in the Balkans and the others for service in the Far East.

As already reported in these columns, Mr. Jack London, war correspondent, was arrested at Moji by the police on 1st inst. and was sent to Kokura on a charge of violation of the law regarding the protection of strategic zones. Mr. London arrived at Moji from Nagasaki on the S. K. steamer *Kanagawa Maru* to proceed to Korea. During a walk on Monday forenoon he took some photos of coal coolies. Unfortunately, his action drew upon him the suspicion of the police and he was found guilty at the Kakura Ku Saibansho and was fined ¥5. The camera was seized by the authorities.

RUSSIA'S UNREADINESS

AT PORT ARTHUR.

Port Arthur is not yet fully fitted to cope with the needs of a Fleet returning crippled from a naval action. The great new dock will not be ready until the spring. Feverish activity is reported to prevail, and men are working night and day to advance the dock, and complete as far as possible the accommodation and the repairing and building facilities of the port. There is a basin which will accommodate a dozen large ships, with a great sheer-legs capable of lifting 80 tons; and huge engine shops, repairing houses, and stores have been built, though it is most probable that they are not yet fully supplied with machinery, tools, and materials. Fully £2,500,000 has been expended on deepening the harbour and approaches, and six dredgers are at work, as well as a little flotilla of mud barges and tugs. A year ago the battleship *Pollava* and the cruiser *Varyag* were able to enter the inner harbour, which is now in use, though much remains to be done. The Manchurian line is crowded with trains full of stores of all kinds for the troops and the Fleet, and recently 5,000 tons of tea were blocked in transit to European Russia. From Poland 150,000 tons of salt have been despatched, and other stores in preparation from other

places. A special train of 14 trucks was sent from St. Petersburg with surgical dressings and medicines, presumably for both Naval and Military forces. The defences of Port Arthur are, perhaps, in a state of greater readiness than anything else at the Port. The place was fortified for the Chinese, largely under the advice of Captain von Hanneken, and had 200 guns. It now bristles with powerful modern arms. Batteries, each mounting three or four heavy guns, extend 40 yards to the sea, and twelve vessels along the sea front to the North, while a semi-circle of forts on the land side, crowning every hill, joins the two coast-lines together. The narrow entrance to the harbour is protected by low-lying batteries, mounting 5.5 in. Canet quick-firers, and there is a huge new fort commanding the approach, wherein four powerful 63-ton guns have been mounted. Such is the state of Port Arthur, but, when all is said, a great deal obviously remains to be accomplished. The dredging of the harbour has to go on; the engine and boiler shops have to be fitted for rapid work; vast supplies of ammunition have to be provided; and a prodigious volume of stores is required. Time is necessary to complete these preparations, and it is doubtful if Port Arthur will be even in a reasonable state of readiness when the new dock is opened in the spring. Vladivostok is an older port, and there are greater facilities there, and a fine new dry dock, capable of receiving the largest ships has just been completed.

Nor has the Far Eastern Fleet yet reached its intended strength. It was stated, when the Russian shipbuilding programme, now approaching completion, was announced, that the ships were intended for that service, but the truth of that was denied. One by one, however, as the ships have been completed, they have been assigned for the Far East, and singly, or in little squadrons, they have been despatched, until now Russia is in a position to assume a firm front, while her Admirals await the further reinforcements and supplies that are on the way out, or are promised. Let it be observed that the Fleet cannot be made complete until the spring or summer of 1904. Combined with the unreadiness of the arsenal, this is a predominant factor in the present attitude of Russia. There is reason to believe, moreover, that the ships have been sent out too hurriedly. The battleship *Orskoy* broke down, and by the latest intelligence, was still being repaired in the Italian dockyard at Spezia. Other ships showed signs of weakness, and there is great need of manoeuvring the new arrivals together. The deficiencies are not in material matters only. Alexieff is stated to have most urgently represented the necessity of sending out large numbers of officers, engineers, artificers and others for the Squadron. The ships are reported to have gone out with more or less scratch staffs, and it has been reported from St. Petersburg that large contingents have been despatched by rail to join them. A great deal of "shaking down" must certainly be required. Judicious efforts have been made, and the Russians have much to pride themselves upon in the imposing force they have already assembled.—P. & T. Times.

THE HARBOUR AT PORT ARTHUR.

DEFENCES REPORTED DEFECTIVE.

According to intelligence from Nagasaki, published by the *Tokio Asahi*, the Harbour Authorities of Port Arthur are much embarrassed owing to the delay in the shipment from Nagasaki of material required for the construction of the No. 2 dock. In 1922, a Nagasaki resident named Mr. Hidejiri Matsuo, who had lived at Port Arthur and Tachien-wan for a long time, secured an order from the Russian authorities at the former port for the above materials to the value of 35,000 roubles. Coming back home, Mr. Matsuo gave an order to the Ishikaw Iron Works, Nagasaki, through Mr. Yutaro Inagaki, of Koto, for the supply of these materials. In the spring of last year Mr. Matsuo crossed over to Port Arthur and received from the Russian authorities a sum of 7,000 roubles as a bargain money. He then fled to Chefoo with the money, but was subsequently arrested. It is further stated that preparations are now being made by Mr. Inagaki forwarding the materials, which are said to be nearly ready, and that No. 2 dock, when completed, will be able to receive a vessel aggregating over 10,000 tons.

A news agency reports on good authority that, in spite of the enormous outlay, the boom placed at the entrance to Port Arthur was destroyed by the action of the waves in November last year, and has not yet been repaired. Furthermore, says the agency, the number of torpedoes to be sunk at that port in case of emergency is at present only 380 in all, while about 5,000 are required adequately to guard the entrance. Viceroy Alexieff, therefore, recently asked the home Government to supply more torpedoes at an early date and, until their arrival, the defence of the entrance to the port, our informant conjectures, will remain incomplete.

RUSSIAN LEVIES REVOLT.

A native telegram states that some 200 Chinese enrolled by the Russians revolted because they were to be sent to Port Arthur, and they thought they would be the first to see active service. They made off with their arms and as many horses as they could. A Russian force pursued and attempted to deal with the refractory body, but being out-numbered, they would have fared badly but for the timely intervention of Gen. Hu Yuting in command of a Chinese force, who went to the Russian assistance and escorted the Russian officers back to Fengtien.

COMMERCIAL.

SUGAR.

As the Sugar Consumption-tax is included among the taxes to be increased in case a War Tax is imposed, the Japan Sugar Refinery Company of Tokyo has issued a circular to its customers to the effect that if an additional tax is placed on sugar, the increase will have to be borne by present contracts delivered on and after the 1st instant. The company announces that contracts will not be executed unless the increased tax is paid by buyers.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	110 1/2
Do. demand	10 15/16
Do. 4 months' sight	111 3/16
France—Bank T.T.	240
America—Bank T.T.	46 1/2
Germany—Bank T.T.	19 1/2
India T.T.	14 1/2
Do. demand	14 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	70 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T.	94
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	115
Buying.	
4 months' sight L/C.	111 1/2
6 months' sight L/C.	111 1/2
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	46 1/2
4 months' sight do.	47 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	111 1/2
6 months' sight France	240
4 months' sight	240
6 months' sight Germany	19 1/2
Bar Silver	200
Bank of England rate	200

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.	
To-day's quotations are as follows:—	
	Per chest
Malwa New	900/950
" Old	950/1,000
" Older	1,020/1,050
" Oldest	1,080/1,160
Latna New	1,290
Bennas New	1,285
Persian (Paper)	830/950

To-day's Advertisements.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with Government Notification No. 74 of 5th February, 1904, the EX-CHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 16th and 17th instant, respectively.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [249]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX;

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ON TUESDAY, the 23rd February, 1904, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "VARRA," Captain Seller, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON only on MONDAY, the 22nd instant, Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [9]

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL. CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB will give Four Performances of THE COMIC OPERA "HIS EXCELLENCY,"

Written by W. S. GILBERT, Music composed by Dr. OSWALD CARR,

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Dress Circle	...	\$1
Stalls	...	3
Pit Stalls	...	3
Pit	...	1

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 13th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 22nd February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"RHIPHEUS"	On 4th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 5th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 12th March.

S.S. "PAKLING" left Singapore 7th inst., at daylight, and is due here 13th instant.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 16th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"KEEMUN"	On 22nd February.
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Hongkong, 6th February, 1904. [126]

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on SATURDAY, the 13th instant, at Noon.At BOMBAY, the Steamer is discharging in
VICTORIA DOCK.For further Particulars regarding Freight
and Passage, apply toCARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [138]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR,"
Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on MON. the 15th instant,
at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1904. [139]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"MACDUFF,"
For Freight and further information, apply
toDEWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1904. [140]

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY OF THE ITALIAN
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for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made
into Books for the Children of the Poor School,
who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904.

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" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung 17

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" Corned—Ham Ngau Li, each 17

" Head—Ngau Tau 17

" Heart—Ngau Sum 17

" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin, each 17

" Feet—Ngau Kerk, each 17

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu, each 17

" Tail—Ngau Mei 17

" Liver—Ngau Con 17

" Type (undressed)—Ngau To, 17

" Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-
tau-keok, each set 17

" Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kw, 17

" Leg—Yeung Pei 17

" Shoulder—Yeung Shau 17

" Pigs' Chitlings—Chi cheong 17

" Brains—Chi Kow, per set 17

" Feet—Chi Kerk 17

" Fry—Chi Chak 17

" Head—Chi Tau 17

" Heart—Chi Sum 17

" Kidneys—Chi Yiu 17

" Liver—Chi Kow 17

" Pork Chop—Chi Pai Kw 17

" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk 17

" Leg—Chu Pei 17

" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau 17

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" Keok 17

" Heart—Yeung Sum 17

" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu 17

" Liver—Yeung Con 17

" Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai 17

" Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau 17

" Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau 17

" Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk 17

" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong 17

POULTRY,

Chicken—Kai Chai 17

" Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai 17

" Ducks—Ap 17

" Doves—Pan Kai 17

" Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan 17

" Fowls, Canton—Kai 17

" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai 17

" Geese—Ngai 17

" Wild Shanghai—Sheng Hoi Ye 17

" Noddy 17

" Muskrat—Wong Keng 17

" Hare—Fu Chai 17

" Rabbit—Cheu Koo 17

" Pheasant—Cheu Kai 17

" Pigeons, Canton—Kai 17

" Holbein—Hok Pak Kuo 17

" Quail—Uu Chai 17

Rice Birds—Wn Fa Cheuk.....doren

Snipe—Sa Chuieach

Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung 60

Hen— " NA 45

Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sulap pair

Teal, Shanghai, Sulap each

Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui

Apea.....per pair

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu 13

Bream—Bin Yu 13

Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sia Yu 13

Carp—Li Yu 16

Catfish—Chik Yu 16

Codfish—Mun Yu 16

Crabs—Hai 14

Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu 12

Dab—Sa Mang Yu 14

Dace—Wong Mei Lun 11

Dog Fish—Tik Tu Sa 8

Eels, Congor—Hoi Man Yu 15

Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu 14

Yellow—Wong Sin 24

Frogs—Tien Kai 80

Garoupa—Sek Pan 80

Gudgeon—Pak Kuo Yu 16

Herrings—Tso Pak 16

Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu 18

Labrus—Wong Fa Yu 15

Loach—Wu Yu 10

Lobsters—Lung Ha 20

Mackerel—Chi Yu 10

Monk Fish—Mon Yu 24

Mullet—Chai Yu 22

Oysters—Sang Hoo 16

Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu 16

Perch—Tau Loo 10

Pike—Fa Paw Poong 15

Plaice—Pai Yu 10

Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong 16

Pomfret, White—Pak Chong 16

Prawns—Ming Ha 40

Ray—Pei Pa Sa 8

Rock Fish—Sek Kau Kung 18

Roach—Chun Yu 11

Salmon, (Clon), fresh water—Ma Yau

Shark—Sa Yu 28

Skate—Po Yu 28

Shrimps—Ha Yu 24

Snapper—Lap Yu 20

Sole—Tat Sa Yu 20

Tench—Wan Yu 14

Turbot—Cho Hoi Yu 18

Turtles, small, fresh water—Keok Yu 60

White Bait—Ngan Yu Chai 11

FRUITS.

Almond—Hung Yan 20

Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping

Ko 15

" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping

Ko 15

" Small—Hoi Tong 15

Custard—Fan Lai Chi each

Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheng

Heung Chiu 3

" (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu

Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Lut 3

Carambola—Yeung Tou 9

Cocoanuts—Yeh Tz each

Grapes—Sin Tai Tsz 10

Lemons, China—Ning Moong 8

" Amer—Kun San Ning Moong

Lichers, Dried—Lai Chi Con 15

" Fresh, Lai Chi Con

Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning

Moong each

Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Moong

Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong

Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz doz.

Oranges, (Canton)—Sang Sheng Tim

Chang 5

" Small—Tai Kut 5

" Mandarin—Tim Kut 5

Olives—Pak Lam 7

Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li

" (Canton), Cooking—Sa Li 7

" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li

Peanuts, Fa Sang 10

Persimmons Large—Hung Chie, Foon

Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Hoi

Ti Paw-law each

" and cooking—Chung-tang

Paw-law 6

Platams—Tai Chen 8

Plums, Swatow—Hung Lai 3

Pumelo, Siam—Ch

SHIPPING.

Arrivals.
Inaba Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,837, Bainbridge, 11th Feb., London 3rd Jan., and Singapore 5th Feb., Gen.—N. Y. K.
Indrapura, Br. s.s., 3,411, Home, 11th Feb., Portland, Or. 1st Jan., and Moji 6th Feb., Gen. and Flour.—P. & A. S. Co.
Cruiser, Br. s.s., 1,435, Brown, 11th Feb., Moji 5th Feb., Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Lagazzi, Am. s.s., 985, Yipar, 11th Feb., Manila 6th Feb., Ballast.—Irradiao & Co.
Loongmoon, Ger. s.s., 1,245, Schultz, 11th Feb., Chinkiang 7th Feb., Gen.—S. & Co.
Hsinchi, Ch. s.s., 1,385, Klopfer, 11th Feb., Canton 10th Feb., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Tsinan, Br. s.s., 1,461, Lindbergh, 11th Feb., Kuchino 8th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.
Tjipanas, Dut. s.s., 1,555, Zevart, 11th Feb., Yokohama 28th Jan., and Amoy 9th Feb., Gen.—Holt & Jacob & Co.
Loongtang, Br. s.s., 1,092, Weigall, 11th Feb., Manila 8th Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

San Cheong, for Canton.
Loongmoon, for Canton.
Perla, for Manila.
Kwancheow, for Canton.
Inaba Maru, for Kobe.
Tsinan, for Bangkok.
Paul Beau, for Canton.
Wingfat, for Macao.
Wo Ping, for Swatow.
Le Rhone, for Canton.
Fausang, for Saigon.
Progress, for Swatow.
Kohlehang, for Bangkok.

Departures.

Feb. 11.
Haiching, for Swatow.
Bamberg, for Shanghai.
Wroslung, for Canton.
Walshing, for Canton.
Taitshu, for Canton.
Perla, for Manila.
Changsha, for Yokohama.
Hoishao, for Haiphong.

Passengers arrived.

Per Inaba Maru, from London, &c. for Hongkong—Messrs. M. Beattie, Reynolds, W. Daniel, E. Emmett, F. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. G. Johnson and 2 children, Miss Hill, Mrs. Loewenson, Mr. E. Johnson, C. Newson, G. Humby, F. Matthews and G. Thomas. For Shanghai—Messrs. A. Youngson, N. Ninnes and G. Girdale. For Kobe—Mr. and Mrs. H. Ishimura, Mr. N. Bu, Mr. A. Mrs. J. Okajima, and Mr. A. Souma. For Yokohama—Messrs. L. K. Glosso and A. Aval. Per Inaba Maru, from Kuchino—Miss Peterson, Messrs. Booth, Henry, and S. Chinese. Per Loongtang, from Manila—Messrs. H. S. Goodwin, Hugo Prengsman, Kimbal, A. Prain, S. Fannin, C. Y. Walnam, Aug. Qiu Bieng, A. Asewa, and 72 Chinese.

Passengers departed.

Per Ernest Simon, for Saigon—Messrs. Kon-saya, Messrs. Merrier and J. D. Encarnacao. For Singapore—Messrs. O. Gumprecht, Paul W. Linebarger, H. Ito, Fukui, S. Takaki, Miss F. J. Plumb, Messrs. J. Hammond Levi and R. Lees. For Colombo—Mr. M. Baranski. For Bombay—Messrs. R. C. Doshi and J. P. Doshi. For Marseilles—Mr. T. Terand, Dr. Vizer, C. John Camie, Mrs. Goengs, and Mr. Jacques Darand. Per Australia, for Shanghai—Messrs. Frederick W. Nash, Rev. P. E. Marrot, Mr. and Mrs. Gedy, Mrs. Spindler, Mr. and Mrs. Hermann, W. Davis, J. Heenan, G. D. Barclay, P. Dutkewich, F. Mikos and Popoff. For Kobe—Messrs. Falchard and Tahikam.

Shipping Reports.

Str. Loongmoon from Manila—Strong N.E. monsoon.
Str. Loongmoon from Chinkiang—Fine weather, moderate winds (N.Y.).
Str. Tsinan from Kuchino—Fresh N.E. gales experienced on the northern trip, wet weather in Kobe and fine weather and smooth seas on the trip from there to Kuchino, where ship coal-fired and similar wind and weather from thence to port.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Coptic	Shanghai	O. & O. Co.	Feb. 12
Ballaarat	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Feb. 11
Pakling	Singapore	C. P. R. Co.	Feb. 13
Emp. of Japan	Japan	C. P. R. Co.	Feb. 15
Namsang	Singapore	J. M. & Co.	Feb. 16
Gera	Japan	M. & Co.	Feb. 16
Roon	Singapore	M. & Co.	Feb. 18
Korea	San Francisco	O. & O. Co.	Mar. 1
Gaelic	San Francisco	O. & O. Co.	Mar. 9

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—2nd January—Ardetia, 6th January—Indramayo, 13th January—Silesia, (Aus.) Indramayo, Fume, Linan, Salfordia, 16th January—Eidsvold, 20th January—Sumbia, 23rd January—Agamenon, 27th January—Manila, Ardandarg, Roon, Fosching, 30th January—Wakasa Maru, 3rd February—Menelaus, Laos, Beneluch, Brigravia, 6th February—Glenhurst, Alachon, Saxonia, St. Nicholas, Fibertus, Willowdent, Frans Ferdinand.
Homeward—23rd January—Indram, Prometheus, 27th January—Aragonia, Java, 30th January—Glenroy, Kiautschou, 3rd February—Sydney, 6th February—Ceylon.

Vessels in Port.

Arrivals.
Borneo, Ger. s.s., 3,444, Muhle, 27th Jan., San Francisco 1st Jan., Gen. and Timber.—M. & Co.
Caph, Ind. s.s., 2,718, Belsito, 4th Feb., Bombay 17th Jan., and Singapore 29th Jan., Gen.—C. & Co.
Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774, Schlaikier, 10th Feb., Haiphong 7th Feb., Gen.—J. & Co.
Catherine Apar, Br. s.s., 1,730, Stewart, 9th Feb., Calcutta 23rd Jan., Penang and Singapore 3rd Feb., Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.
Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, Mitchell, 6th Feb., Java 20th Jan., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Haimun, Br. s.s., 636, Passmore, 7th Feb., Tamsui 4th Feb., and Amoy 5th, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 739, Merlees, 10th Feb., Haiphong and Hoibow 9th Feb., Gen.—A. R. M.
Kaifong, Br. s.s., 1,024, Pennefather, 2nd Feb., Cebu via Iloilo and Manila 30th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.
Kohsichang, Ger. s.s., 1,292, Spiesen, 6th Feb., Bangkok 27th Jan., Rice.—B. & S.
Laertes, Br. s.s., 1,340, Jackson, 9th Feb., Saigon 4th Feb., Rice—Nam Wo & Co.
Liscum, Am. transport, 1,072, Healey, 16th Jan., Manila 13th Jan., Haiphong—U. S. Govt.
Lydia, Ger. s.s., 1,772, Girstenbran, 1st Feb., Canton 31st Jan., Gen.—H. A. L.
M. Struve, Ger. s.s., 976, Brandt, 7th Feb., Haiphong 4th Feb., and Hoibow 6th, Gen.—A. R. M.
Machew, Ger. s.s., 996, Harges, 10th Feb., Bangkok 2nd Feb., Feb. and Teakwood—B. & S.
Madeleine Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,020, Sanders, 8th Feb., Bangkok 31st Jan., Rice.—B. & S.

Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,514, Welsh, 9th Feb., Sandakan 3rd Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Olympia, Am. s.s., 1,730, Dixon, 8th Feb., Tacoma 3rd Jan., and Moji 3rd Feb., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Rajaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,189, Wendig, 9th Feb., Bangkok and Swatow 8th Feb., Rice and Timber.—M. & Co.
Siberia, Am. s.s., 1,284, Smith, 3rd Feb., San Francisco 7th Jan., and Shanghai 1st Feb., Mail and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.
Smongan, Dut. s.s., 1,203, Versteeg, 9th Feb., Samarang 28th Jan., Sugar—Yuen Fat Hong.
Suisang, Br. s.s., 1,476, Young, 6th Feb., Calcutta via Singapore 16th Jan., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Sungking, Br. s.s., 1,021, Robinson, 1st Feb., Manila 27th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.
Tarta, Br. s.s., 1,475, Evans, 16th Dec., Vancouver 16th Nov., and Shanghai 13th Dec., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
Tjipnap, Dut. s.s., 2,478, Koops, 8th Feb., Macassar 31st Jan., Gen.—Holt & Jacob & Co.

Tsintau, Ger. s.s., 1,002, Koch, 1st Feb., Bangkok via Swatow 18th Jan., Rice and Teakwood—B. & S.
Volke, Fr. s.s., 2,851, Pattie, 4th Feb., Barry Duck 19th Dec., Conla.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Wongkoi, Ger. s.s., 1,115, Reher, 9th Feb., Bangkok 2nd Feb., Rice and Wood.—B. & S.
Yuenang, Br. s.s., 1,128, Rolff, 6th Feb., Manila 3rd Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 8th Feb., Manila 6th Feb., Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:

Canton—Per Fatsun, 12th Feb., 7.30 A.M.
Bangkok—Per Kohsichang, 12th Feb., 9 A.M.
Singapore—Per Tsinan, 12th Feb., 9 A.M.
Sui-sang, 12th Feb., 1 P.M.
Macao—Per Loongmoon, 12th Feb., 1.15 P.M.
Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Tsinan 12th Feb., 3 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Samshui—Per Tungkong, 12th Feb., 3 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Samshui—Per See Yuh, 12th Feb., 3 P.M.
Nantao—Per Taichu, 12th Feb., 5 P.M.
Sanhue—Per Hoi Tu, 12th Feb., 5 P.M.
Macao—Per Wingchui, 12th Feb., 5 A.M.
Canton—Per Hanan, 12th Feb., 5 P.M.
Haiphong—Per Carl Diederichsen, 12th Feb., 5 P.M.
Canton—Per Hankow, 13th Jan., 7.30 A.M.
Manila—Per Zafiro, 13th Feb., 9 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (H.C.) and Tacoma—Per Olympia, 13th Feb., 10 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per Capri, 13th Feb., 10 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per Siberia, 13th Feb., 11 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Malia, 13th Feb., 11 A.M.
Manila—Per Loongmoon, 13th Feb., 3 P.M.
Canton—Per Powan, 14th Feb., 9 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta—Per Catherine Apar, 15th Feb., 2 P.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Gera, 17th Feb., 11 A.M.
Shanghai—Per Woosung, 18th Feb., 3 P.M.
Manila, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Empire, 19th Feb., 11 A.M.
Manila—Per Rubi, 20th Feb., 9 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Turtur, 24th Feb., 11 A.M.

Books containing stamps of the following denominations may be obtained at the General Post Office for \$1.00 each, 16 stamps at 4 cents.
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Until further notice the transmission of correspondence via Dalny and the Trans-Siberian Railway is discontinued.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

The Post Office will be entirely closed on Tuesday, the 16th inst. (Chinese New Year's Day).
On Wednesday, the 17th inst. the Office will be open from 7 to 11.30 a.m. to dispatch the outgoing German Mail only. Correspondence posted up to 9 a.m. only will be sent out for delivery on that day.
The Money Order Office will be closed on both days.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 11th at 11.55 a.m. Barometric changes in Hongkong and the Philippines are unimportant.
Returns from stations to the North of Amoy are not yet to hand, but probably pressure has increased over N. China and the monsoon has freshened in the Formosa Channel. Strong monsoon over the China Sea.
Forecast:—fresh N.E. winds; fair.

	Feb. 10 at 10 a.m.	Feb. 10 at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.26	30.12
Temperature	65	69
Humidity	45	41
Rainfall	—	—

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

	Feb. 11th, 1904, a.m.	Bar. Th. Hu. Wind Wx.
Vladivostok	7 a.m.	—
Hakodate	6 a.m.	—
Tokio	—	—
Kobe	—	—
Nagasaki	—	—
Kagoshima	—	—
Oshima	—	—
Naha	—	—
Ishigakijima	—	—
Taichow	5 a.m.	—
Taipei	—	—
Tainan	—	—
Koshun	—	—
Pescadore	—	—
Weihaiwei	9 a.m.	—
Gutai	—	—
Sharp Peak	—	—
Amoy	6.30 a.m.	30.23 55 80 WSW 1 c
Swatow	9 a.m.	—
Canton	—	—
Hongkong	10 a.m.	30.24 65 34 E 5 b
Victoria Peak	—	—
Gap Rock	—	30.21 NE 5 b
Macao	—	30.21 64 NE 3 c
Haiphong	—	—
Manila	—	—
Bacolo	9 a.m.	—
Iloilo	—	29.97 71 NNE 4 r
Cebu	—	29.97 83 N 4 b
C. St. James	10 a.m.	—

VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

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Bain, J. W.
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Christie, Mrs. & Mr. D.
Cronin, John
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Downson, A.
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Errington, Sir Geo.
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Guignon, G.
Hall, Capt. T.
Hamblyn, J. H.
Hamersley, D. F.
Haumer, Th. A.
Haughwout, W. B.
Hayton, J. T.
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Bolagovsky, Mr. and Mrs.
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Bunny, Miss
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THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$ 125	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8 = \$18 for half year ending 30.6.1903	\$640
National Bank of China, Ltd.	\$ 8	3/6 = \$2 for 1903	\$35
Do. Founders.	\$ 1	None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of China, Ltd.	\$ 100	32 per cent = \$32 per share for 1902	\$490 s.
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = \$16 for year ended 30.4.1903	\$56
North China In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902	Tls. 67
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 % = \$12 for 1901	\$135
Antion In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	30 % = \$15 per share for 1902	\$175
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$22 1/2 per share for 1901	\$105 b.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$6 per share for 1901	\$92
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$14 for half-year ending 31.12.1903	\$50 ex div.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902	\$85
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	10 % = \$5 per share for 1900	\$25 s.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$30 s.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$1.20 = 12 % for year ending 30.6.1903	\$19 s.
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 1	Interim of 1/- for 1903	Tls. 1 b.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 2 % for 1903	Tls. 35 b.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 4 % = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 46 s.
Do. Preference	Tls. 50	Interim of 3 1/2 % = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 43 s.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1903	\$106
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10 s.
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	5 % = Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.03	Tls. 50 s.
MINING.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 11	None	\$1 s.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Interim of Frs. 30 for 1903	\$600 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 10.10.10	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	£6
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03	Tls. 6 1/2 s.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	12 % = \$6 for 1 year 30.6.03	\$207
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1 year ending 31.10.1903	Tls. 126 b.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903	\$95 b.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$37 1/2 s.
Shanghai & Hongkong Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 200 b.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1903	\$9
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1903	\$150 s.
K'loon I. and Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$2.60 per share for 1903	\$35 b.
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Final of \$1.70 making \$3.20 for 1903	\$55
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$6 for first 1 year 1903	\$146 s.
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$29 s.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 14 s.
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	7 per cent. for 1903	\$10 1/2 ex d. s.
Shai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 112 s.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for 1902/1903	\$15 1/2 s.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	8 % for period ended 31.10.1903	Tls. 32 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Tls. 75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 25 b.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 33
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.1897	Tls. 170 s.
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$ 100	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$200
Philippine Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	First year	\$10 b.
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 52 s.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$24 b.
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 12	First year	\$12 b.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1903	\$14 1/2 s.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$7 1/2 b.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	40 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 1/2
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$7
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1902	\$145 b.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$10 for 1903	\$145 ex div.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1903	151
Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Interim of \$12 making \$16 for 1903	\$230 ex div.
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$20 for year ending 31.11.1903	\$300
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903	\$12 1/2 b.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£ 12.6.	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	90 cents for year ending 31.5.03	\$5 s.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Final of 6 % making 12 % for year	\$15 1/2 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	None	\$14 1/2 s.
William Powell, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$9 1/2 b.
Maatschappij tot Mijn, Bosch en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Guilders 100	5th interim dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 paid 15.12.1903 making so far Tls. 35 for the year ending 31.10.03	Tls. 300 b.
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	First year	\$50
South China Morning Post, Ltd.	\$ 25	First year	\$25
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